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Flood-damaged water systems no longer on boil water advisories

OLYMPIA — The boil water advisory ended today for 300 customers in Snohomish served by a water line damaged by flooding earlier this month.

The city issued the advisory Jan. 8 after the rampaging Pilchuck River severely damaged a water transmission line. The line has been repaired and disinfected; tests now show the water is safe to drink.

Customers who have questions can call the city at 360-282-3180.

Another flood-related advisory in Kittitas County was lifted Jan. 16. The advisory affected about 300 vacation homes served by the Kittitas County Water District #5, seven of which were occupied. Some of the homes were temporarily without water after a water transmission line was damaged by flood waters in the Yakima River.

Water service was restored Jan. 12, but customers remained under a boil water advisory until the water could be tested for contaminants. Lab tests confirm the water is safe to drink.

Statewide only one water system — in Yakima County — remains under a weather-related health advisory due to high stream flows. The advisory affects Hart Creek Summer Homes, which has two full-time residents and an average January population of seven. Customers can call 509-371-3628 for updates.

Full water service has been restored to about 9,200 people affected by the flooding.

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